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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INITIATIVE ON BANANA TAX

OPPOSITION DEPUTY ROBERTO CARPIO NICOLLE(CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT) HAS PRESENTED CONGRESS WITH PROPOSAL TO IMPOSE TAX ON BANANA EXPORTS RANGING FROM ONE TO TWO AND HALF CENTS POUND, "DEPENDING UPON CIRCUMSTANCES". ALTHOUGH CARPIO HAS CITED FORMER MINECON MOLINA AND GUATEMALA'S COMMITMENT TO OTHER BANANA PRODUCERS IN SUPPORT HIS PROPOSAL, GOG VERY DEFINITELY IS NOT BACK OF MEASURE. VICEMINECON FOR INTEGRATION BARRIOS ON JULY 11 AGAIN INFORMED EMBOFF THAT GOG POLICY RE BANANA EXPORT TAX REMAINS UNCHANGED, I.E., WAIT AND SEE IF OTHER COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY ECUADOR, MAKE TAX SCHEME STICK BEFORE ACTING ON BANANA PRODUCING COUNTRIES' AGREEMENT TO ADOPT AN EXPORT TAX. BARRIOS SUGGESTED CARPIO'S MOTIVE IS SIMPLY TO EMBARRASS GOG.

WE AGREE.

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